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Values are shown in terms of Australian dollars (\$)

Population		1965-66	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76
Total population, June	'000	11,861	13,598	13,771	13,916
Births	"	223	244	240	231
Natural increase (births—deaths)	"	122	134	125	121
Overseas movement: excess of arrivals over departures	"	92	73	39	20
Permanent and long-term arrivals	"	190	204	173	135
Short-term visitors arriving	"	180	506	520	530
Students — school (August)	"	2,438	2,853	2,876	2,919
— university (April)	"	91	143	148	154
— college of advanced education (April)	"	n.a.	107	123	135
Domestic product and national expenditure					
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	\$m	20,545	50,703	59,987	70,243
Personal consumption expenditure	"	12,922	29,274	35,143	41,543
Food and drink	"	4,105	7,974	9,231	10,819
Household durables	"	973	2,484	3,050	3,788
Travel and communication	"	1,847	4,378	5,348	6,372
Gross fixed capital expenditure	"	5,709	11,909	14,332	16,721
Private	"	3,657	7,947	8,726	10,323
Public authorities	"	2,052	3,962	5,606	6,398
Gross farm product	"	1,913	4,479	3,622	3,727
GDP at 1966-67 prices	"	21,214	32,502	32,703	33,216
GDP per head (at current prices)	\$	1,771	3,821	4,454	5,161
Household income (aggregate)					
Total	\$m	16,257	41,705	51,429	59,939
Wages, salaries and supplements	"	10,674	27,573	35,449	40,672
Unincorporated enterprises income	"	4,390	10,811	11,364	12,827
Transfers from general govt	"	1,193	3,321	4,616	6,440
Household disposable income	"	14,101	34,583	42,673	48,792
Government finance					
Current receipts (all governments)	\$m	5,733	14,779	18,752	22,719
Federal Government taxes	"	4,221	10,908	14,174	16,939
Income tax, persons	"	1,729	5,485	7,709	9,213
companies	"	798	1,934	2,344	2,505
Customs and excise duties	"	1,023	2,159	2,569	3,375
Sales tax	"	370	989	1,154	1,408
State and local government taxes	"	870	2,781	3,497	4,313
Total outlay, current and capital (all governments)	"	6,700	16,157	22,756	27,490
Final consumption expenditure	"	2,390	6,760	9,158	11,540
Education	"	495	1,891	2,748	3,470
Defence	"	721	1,322	1,425	1,578
Gross fixed capital expenditure	"	2,028	3,914	5,512	6,318
Economic services	"	1,482	2,609	3,409	3,926
Housing and community amenities	"	175	482	796	889
Education	"	159	379	649	686

Agriculture		1965-66	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76
Gross value of primary production	\$m	n.a.	6,715	8,202	8,605
Crops	"	n.a.	2,346	3,193	3,234
Livestock slaughtering, etc.	"	n.a.	1,696	1,019	1,291
Livestock products	"	n.a.	1,859	1,655	1,700
Forestry, fishing and hunting	"	n.a.	314	334	379
Output					
Wheat	'000 tonnes	7,067	11,987	11,357	11,982
Wool	m kg	754	701	793	754
Meat	'000 tonnes	1,690	1,978	2,229	2,600
Mining production (a)					
Value added (b)	\$m	441	2,001	2,650	3,070
Output					
Metallic content of minerals					
Copper	'000 tonnes	92	257	236	218
Lead	"	368	380	417	397
Zinc	"	355	445	508	479
Iron	"	4,366	58,218	60,860	58,263
Bauxite	"	1,186	18,642	22,205	n.a.
Black coal	"	31,942	59,478	70,142	69,269
Crude oil	'000 cu m	"	23,162	23,096	23,839
Natural gas	mil cu m	4	4,403	4,633	5,172
Manufacturing					
Value added (c)	\$m	(d)	13,149	15,241	
Metal products, transport equipment, machinery, etc.	"	n.a.	5,529	6,628	
Food, beverages, tobacco	"	n.a.	2,126	2,651	
Textiles, clothing, footwear	"	n.a.	1,157	1,106	
Paper and products, printing	"	n.a.	1,111	1,279	
Chemicals, petroleum products	"	n.a.	1,076	1,173	
Output					
Ingot steel	'000 tonnes	5,650	7,504	7,856	7,937
Cement	"	3,747	5,412	5,273	5,007
Beer	m litres	1,271	1,868	1,954	1,932
Tobacco and cigarettes	m kg	25.4	31.4	31.0	31.1
Cars and station wagons	'000	294	382	377	369
Electricity output	m kWh	38,279	69,743	73,933	76,597
Building			(e)	(e)	(e)
New houses (number completed)	'000	81.1	104.9	97.0	99.9
New other dwellings (number completed)	"	31.7	45.1	44.1	32.1
Value of new dwellings completed	\$m	870	2,143	2,454	2,799
Value of other buildings completed	"	738	1,533	1,784	2,267
Retail Sales (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.)					
	\$m	6,625	14,282	16,215	18,882

(a) Mining figures for 1965-66 relate to the calendar year 1965.

(b) Turnover, plus increase (or less decrease) in the value of stocks, less purchases, transfers in and selected expenses.

(c) See footnote (b) above. Figures for 1974-75 relate only to manufacturing establishments owned by multi-establishment enterprises and single establishment manufacturing enterprises with four or more persons employed.

(d) Value added details for 1965-66 are not available.

(e) Excludes alterations and additions to dwellings from 1973-74.

Transport		1965-66	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76
Motor vehicles on register, June	'000	3,878	5,986	6,333	6,660
Cars and station wagons, June	"	2,947	4,627	4,896	5,124
Cars and station wagons per 1,000 persons, June	no.	254	347	363	378
New motor vehicles registered	'000	392	658	692	644
Civil aviation (passenger km)					
Regular internal services	mil	2,947	7,001	7,579	7,483
Overseas services (Australian airlines)	"	2,526	8,653	9,434	10,542
Railways (Government)—					
Freight tonnes carried	'000	65,464	96,966	103,465	104,355
Passenger journeys	"	459,997	373,618	339,954	317,213
Labour force					(a)
Civilian labour force, May—total	'000	4,803	5,845	5,940	6,088
—males	"	3,385	3,851	3,896	3,961
—females	"	1,418	1,995	2,044	2,128
Proportion of total labour force, May					
Manufacturing	%	27.8	23.6	22.1	21.6
Primary production (excl. mining)	"	9.4	6.8	6.6	6.3
Construction	"	8.6	9.1	9.2	8.8
Unemployed persons, May—total	'000	65	95	230	248
Registered job vacancies, June	"	33	62	26	19
Trade union membership, December	"	2,124	2,660	2,762	2,814
Industrial disputes, working days lost	"	794	5,426	3,957	3,005
Wages, weekly earnings and hours					
Wage rates index (base 1954 = 100)					
adult males, 30 June		146	337	399	459
Earnings (per employed male unit)	\$	58.00	117.00	148.20	169.30
Hours (incl. overtime), adult males, private employees, October		n.a.	43.1	42.0	41.3
Price indexes					
Consumer (6 capital cities)	1966-67 = 100	97	147	171	193
Export	1959-60 = 100	107	160	181	187
Building materials					
House	1966-67 = 100	n.a.	151.3	183.4	208.1
Other	1966-67 = 100	n.a.	145.6	179.2	206.2
Manufacturing					
Materials used	1968-69 = 100	n.a.	134.7	145.1	158.5
Articles produced	1968-69 = 100	n.a.	134.6	158.1	177.8
Balance of payments					
Balance on current account	\$m	-877	-813	-943	-1,112
Trade balance (B.O.P. basis)	"	-183	935	827	1,468
Balance on invisibles	"	-694	-1,749	-1,769	-2,581
Capital account: net apparent capital inflow	"	934	379	478	92
Overseas investment in Australian companies	"	694	456	895	702
Australian investment overseas	"	33	231	130	153
Net monetary movements	"	57	-435	-464	-1,020

(a) Estimates for May 1976 are based on revised definitions of unemployment and labour force, and are not comparable with previous years.

Overseas trade		1965-66	1973-74	1974-75	1975-76
Total exports, f.o.b.	£m	2,721	6,910	8,726	9,606
Total imports, f.o.b.	"	2,939	6,085	8,080	8,240
Percentage of total exports to Japan	%	10.3	31.2	28.2	32.9
U.K.	"	28.0	6.6	5.5	4.2
U.S.A.	"	25.9	10.9	9.5	10.1
Percentage of total imports from Japan	"	16.0	17.8	17.6	19.5
U.K.	"	16.1	13.9	15.0	13.4
U.S.A.	"	11.5	22.2	20.7	20.1
Major export commodities, f.o.b.					
Wool (greasy)	£m	700	1,062	664	842
Meat (fresh, chilled, frozen)	"	262	761	418	634
Wheat	"	264	517	1,028	921
Machinery and transport equipment	"	116	446	565	496
Iron ore and concentrates	"	3	499	706	771
Coal, coke and briquettes	"	63	348	733	1,036
Sugar	"	94	223	645	570
Major import commodities, f.o.b.					
Machinery (non-electrical)	"	566	888	1,358	1,339
Road motor vehicles	"	237	506	778	864
Petroleum and petroleum products	"	252	377	722	806
Finance					
Trading bank deposits, June balances	"	5,308	12,714	14,937	16,956
Savings bank deposits, June balances	"	5,254	11,196	12,869	14,823
Trading bank advances at June	"	3,183	10,120	11,205	12,560
Finance companies, balances outstanding, June	"	n.a.	9,816	10,752	12,422
Housing advances					
Savings banks (loans approved to individuals)	"	n.a.	1,167	1,768	2,177
Permanent building societies (loans approved)	"	n.a.	782	737	(a) 1,651
Australian Government expenditure					
Aust. Govt. — State housing finance	"	124	226	412	399
Defence Service Homes (capital)	"	70	102	156	92
Life insurance: sum insured on new policies	"	2,683	11,332	13,718	16,038
New money raised by companies in Australia					
— shares	"	222	338	215	377
— debentures, secured loans etc.	"	173	1,330	988	1,109
Rate on long-term Australian Govt securities, June	% p.a.	5.25	9.49	9.50	10.20

(a) Change in scope and coverage from October, 1975. Not directly comparable with previous years.

Notes

Important components of the principal aggregates are indicated by indentation.

Generally, figures are for the period 1 July-30 June; where indicated, they are for a specific month within the period.

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In those cases where all components are shown, any discrepancies between sums of components and totals are due to rounding.

States of Australia (1975-76 figures)		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld
Area	'000 sq km	802	228	1,727
Population (June 1976)	'000	4,914	3,746	2,112
Crops (area sown)	'000 hectares	4,312	1,858	2,074
Number of sheep	mil	53.2	25.4	13.6
Number of cattle	"	9.1	5.9	11.3
Output				
Wool (greasy basis)	m kg	240.3	137.9	66.3
Wheat for grain	'000 tonnes	4,310	1,578	830
Beef and veal	"	536	493	496
Mutton and lamb	"	167	208	24
Whole milk	m litres	980	3,516	703
Copper (metallic content)	'000 tonnes	12	..	157
Lead (metallic content)	"	226	..	151
Zinc (metallic content)	"	272	..	132
Iron (metallic content)	"	..	4	..
Bauxite	"	10	2	9
Coal (brown in (Victoria)	"	40,935	29,211	24,182
Gross value of production				
Agriculture	£m	1,811.6	1,315.7	1,271.0
Forestry, fishing and hunting	"	94.7	70.3	41.5
Value added				
Mining	"	734	553	795
Manufacturing (1974-75 figures) (a)	"	5,899	5,131	1,601
Income per head of mean population	£	4,499	4,581	4,124

(a) Includes all manufacturing establishments owned by multi-establishment enterprises and single establishments.

Capital cities		Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane
Population (June 1976)	'000	3,021	2,604	958
Average annual rainfall	mm	1,215	661	1,157
Average daily hours of sunshine		6.7	5.7	7.5
Temperature				
January, average maximum	°C	25.7	25.8	29.4
average minimum	"	18.3	13.9	20.6
July, average maximum	"	15.8	13.3	20.3
average minimum	"	7.8	5.7	9.4

Exchange Rate of \$A1 — Average for January 1977 (selling rates)

U.K. 63 new pence	U.S.A. U.S. \$1.08	Japan 314 Yen	New Zealand N.Z. \$1.139
Germany (F.R.) 2.58 D.M.	Canada Can. \$1.09	France 5.36 Francs	Italy 946 Lire

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S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
984	2,526	68	1,346	2	7,682
1,262	1,170	407	101	203	13,916
2,116	4,208	63	8	1	14,641
17.3	34.8	4.2	..	..	148.6
1.9	2.7	0.9	1.6	..	33.4
105.6	183.6	20.0	..	0.6	754.3
1,139	4,122	2	..	..	11,982
92	147	59	10	6	1,838
63	103	19	..	3	588
398	241	435	..	3	6,276
18	5	25	2	..	218
..	..	20	..	..	397
9	..	67	..	..	479
2,856	53,940	1,463	..	..	58,263
..	n.s.	..	2,168	..	n.s.
1,819	2,157	176	..	..	98,480
672.6	996.1	141.9	11.8	5.1	6,225.7
39.4	65.4	57.8	8.0	1.9	378.9
79	769	81	57	3	3,070
1,335	780	404	41	49	15,241
4,233	4,291	3,888	included in S.A.	included in N.S.W.	4,404

Establishment manufacturing enterprises with four or more persons employed.

Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Darwin	Canberra
900	805	162	43	196
531	879	633	1,536	639
6.9	7.9	5.9	8.5	7.2
29.6	29.5	21.4	32.2	27.5
16.4	17.6	11.5	25.0	12.9
15.0	17.3	11.4	30.4	11.1
7.3	9.0	4.4	19.6	-0.3

Occupied Private Dwellings — Census 30 June 1976 (Preliminary)

Total occupied dwellings	No.	4,144,626
Persons per dwelling	No.	3.12

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